

SUBJECT No. 104.

Empowering Deputy Commissioners to sanction muzrai works costing Rs. 1,000.

Messrs. Lingegowda, Krishnarajpete Taluk; P. Muthaya, and Dasegowda, Channapattana Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—Deputy Commissioners may be empowered to sanction Muzrai Works estimated at a cost of Rs. 1,000 and below, and to order the payment of the same, in view of the fact that the delay in sanctioning the estimates and also in the payment of the amount, will result in making supplemental estimates and thus involving additional cost to Government and inconvenience to the contractors.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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SUBJECT No. 105.

Omission of the terms "Brahmin" and "Non-Brahmin" in all Government Records.

Messrs. Karnick, Krishnamurthi Rao and Subbaiya, Magadi Taluk; N. Surappa, Bangalore Taluk; R. Gopalaswami Iyer, Bangalore City Municipality and T. Ramachandra Rao, Bangalore District Board.

Summary of Representation.—In all Government Records, except in religious matters, the terms 'Brahmin' and 'Non-Brahmin' may be deleted with a view to bring brotherly feeling among the subjects of the State.

SUBJECT No. 106.

The Central Recruitment Board.

Messrs. (1) Karnick, Krishnamurthi Rao, and Subbaiya, Magadi Taluk; R. Gopalaswami Iyer, Bangalore City Municipality; N. Surappa, Bangalore Taluk; T. Ramachandra Rao, Bangalore District Board and (2) K. Subbaraya Setty, Bowringpet Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—(1) The Central Recruitment Board which has been recently appointed may be reconstituted with a non-official Brahmin representative.

(2) As the Central Recruitment Board is inadequately represented at present, arrangements may be made so that there should be adequate representation of educated and influential communities in the State, if not of all communities.

SUBJECT No. 107.

Further instalment of progressive reforms need not be conceded till communal jealousies subside.

Mr. B. Suryanarayana Rao, Hassan Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—Till communal jealousies subside, further instalment of progressive reforms need not be conceded.

SUBJECT No. 108.

Amelioration of Panchamas.

Mr. P. Murugesam Pillay, Adiravida Abhivriadi Sangham, Bangalore.

Summary of Representation.—1. With a view to ensure adequate representation of Panchamas on the self-governing and consultative bodies created by Government, a rule may invariably be laid down that, at least, one Panchama member should be appointed to the following bodies and to such others as may be created from time to time, even as Mahomedans who are only one-fourth of the Panchama Community are now appointed:—

1. The Legislative Council.
2. The Central Recruitment Board.
3. The Senate of the Mysore University.
4. The Board of Agriculture.
5. The Board of Education.
6. Municipal Councils and Local Boards.
7. Board of Industries and Commerce.

8. The S. S. L. C. Board.
9. The Local Examination Board.
10. The Scholarship Committee.

2. Orphanages may be started immediately by Government in Bangalore and Mysore to take care of, educate and bring up, destitute orphans on the lines of the Christian orphanages with a view to conserve the Panchama orphans in the Hindu fold. The amount allotted for, but not spent on Panchama scholarships in any year may also be utilised for this purpose.

3. Special hostels be started in each district head-quarter stations to accommodate Panchama boys attending High and Secondary Schools and they may be used for boarding and lodging of Panchama visitors also.

4. Special legislation may be passed prescribing minimum living wages for agricultural and industrial labourers and the exploitation of Panchama labourers attached to the land in some parts of the State, penalized.

5. The Land Acquisition Regulation may be amended so as to prohibit the acquisition of dwelling houses of Panchamas and other labourers, except it be in exchange for other houses constructed and provided by the acquiring authorities.

6. A special committee may be appointed immediately to investigate the housing conditions of the labouring classes in Bangalore City and in other parts of the State and devise satisfactory scheme of housing; and the committee may be granted a sum of Rs. 50,000 to construct a model colony in Bangalore City with the aid of other funds that may be raised by them.

7. Six Panchama students may be trained in the Sanitary Inspectors' class every year, a stipend of Rs. 20 a month being given to them during training, so that they may be posted for duty in Panchama areas and also influence their fellowmen by their personal example.

8. Elements of Sanitation and Hygiene may be made a compulsory subject in all Adult and Primary Schools in the Third and Second year Classes.

9. A circular may be issued strictly enjoining all officers and officials to deal considerately and politely with all Panchama petitioners applicants or visitors and all cases of rude behaviour and use of bad language may be severely noticed.

10. The franchise may be lowered in the case of Panchamas to Rs. 5 in the case of Land Revenue and Rs. 2 in the case of House-Tax, so as to enable a large number of Panchamas to vote for the Representative Assembly and Local Bodies.